

# 'Cheyenne' Crapemyrtle



**Botanical Name:** *Lagerstroemia* 'Cheyenne'  
(NA 68973; PI 633035)

**Hardiness:** USDA Zones 7b-9, root hardy to Zone 6.

**Significance:** 'Cheyenne' is the second hybrid crapemyrtle cultivar derived from hybridization of three species of *Lagerstroemia*: *L. indica*, *L. fauriei*, and *L. limii*. Vivid bright red flowers combine with increased powdery mildew tolerance on a rounded shrub.

**Description:**

**Height and width:** 8 feet tall and 8 feet wide at 12 years.

**Habit:** Deciduous, dense, rounded, multi-stemmed shrub; bark exfoliates to reveal light reddish tan trunks.

**Foliage:** Glossy, dark green leaves tinged with maroon. Mildew tolerant under field conditions.

**Flowers:** Panicles of vivid bright red flowers July to September in the Washington, D.C. area.

**Culture:** 'Cheyenne' grows and flowers best in a heavy loam to clay soil in full sun. Grows well in hot, difficult sites.

**Propagation:** Readily propagated by softwood, semi-hardwood, hardwood, or root cuttings. Preferred method is softwood and semi-hardwood cuttings taken before flowering, mist, and 1000-3000 ppm IBA.

**Landscape Use:** Specimen, mass planting in public parks or gardens, shrub border or informal hedge, highway beautification plantings.

**Availability:** Wholesale availability in 2003. For source list of cooperating wholesale nurseries, contact Dr. Margaret Pooler, U.S. National Arboretum, 3501 New York Ave., NE, Washington, DC 20002, or email at poolerm@ars.usda.gov

